

GERMAN COUNTER-PROPOSALS FOR TREATY PEACE DELIVERED TO ALLIES IN INSTALLMENTS

Formal Presentation Was to the French Authorities, and the Document Bears the Caption, "Observation of the German Delegation on the Conditions of Peace."

PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO FRENCH AUTHORITIES

The Installments of the Document Came With Such Frequency That It Was Understood the Delivery Would Be Completed Within the Time Limit.

Paris, May 29.—The counter proposals formulated by the German delegation at Versailles have been delivered to the French authorities. The proposals probably will go before the council of four of the peace conference at this morning's session.

The German reply was received in installments. The first installment comprised 88 pages. Other installments followed this, and it was understood that the delivery of the document would be completed within the time limit.

The reply is written in German and bears the caption: "Observation of the German Delegation on the Conditions of Peace."

Versailles, May 29.—Baron Von Rosenberg of the German delegation, informally delivered the completed counter proposals to Colonel Henry, the French liaison officer, at 12:20 o'clock to-day. The German explained that there had been no time for translations, which would be sent later.

The volume containing the counter proposals is not bound, corner fasteners holding together the 146 pages.

Paris, May 29.—When the peace conference met in plenary session this afternoon to hear the Austrian peace terms, it was announced that the treaty had not yet been completed. It was decided, therefore, to postpone the session until Saturday, when the completed treaty was expected to be ready.

Another reason for postponement of the plenary session was a request from the smaller powers, especially the Balkan states, that they be allowed further time to consider the terms.

GERMANY'S OFFER.

Is Independent Partly on the Territorial Arrangements.

Berlin, Wednesday, May 8 (By the Associated Press).—According to a semi-official statement, the full indemnity which Germany offers to pay in her counter proposals to the peace terms will include sums going to Belgium against advances by the allies and also the value of all military and civil property surrendered by Germany since the armistice.

It is further conditioned upon territorial arrangements. That is, if the imperial territory is reduced, the sum to be paid must be correspondingly distributed. Alsace-Lorraine and Posen, for instance, bearing their proportionate share.

"SALLIES" HAVE RAISED \$13,000,000 FUND

Latest Reports from All Sections of the Country To-day Indicated That Goal Was Reached.

New York, May 29.—The Salvation Army's campaign for a \$13,000,000 home service fund has passed its goal, according to latest reports from all sections of the country received here to-day. Though the New York district was still \$233,000 short of its quota, the workers expected it would be "over the top" before nightfall.

SOLELY BECAUSE OF ITS COAL.

Saar Is to Be Detached from Germany, Says German Story.

Paris, Wednesday, May 28.—In the section treating on territorial questions, the German counter proposals to the terms presented by the allies says, according to a synopsis reaching Paris by the way of Basle, that "the territory of the Saar inhabited by 600,000 persons is to be detached from the German empire solely because of claims upon its coal."

It is pointed out that during 15 years the territory is to be subject to the control of a commission "in the nomination of which the population has no choice."

Regarding Schleswig-Holstein, the German reply remarks that the frontier, which will be voted upon under the stipulations of the treaty, "goes much farther even than the Danish government desires."

Who Will Claim Them?

Letters remaining uncalled for at the Barre postoffice for the week ending May 29, were:

Men—J. O. Britton, Charles Chapman, Fred Marham, Peter Manolen, John O'Keefe, S. S. Orato, Albert A. Parker, Erick Raita, Ashton Beverance, George Smith.

Barre Marble Works, Toimall & Co. Women—Mrs. Allen, 14 Newton street, Miss Myrtle Partlow, Miss F. Service, Mrs. H. L. Teacher, Mrs. Rosa Vorron, Daisy Wilbur.

WILSON POINTS LESSON OF MEMORIAL DAY

Washington, D. C., May 29.—President Wilson has cabled the following Memorial day message to the American people:

"My fellow countrymen: Memorial day wears this year an added significance and I wish if only by a message to take part with you in its observance and in expressing the sentiments which it inevitably suggests. In observing the day we commemorate not only the reunion of our own country but also now the liberation of the world from one of the most serious dangers to which free government and the free life of men were ever exposed. We have buried the gallant and now immortal men who died in this great war of liberation with a new sense of consecration. Our thoughts and purpose now are consecrated to the maintenance of the liberty of the world and of the union of its people in a supranationality of liberty and of right. It was for this that our men conscientiously offered their lives. They came to the field of battle with the high spirit and pure faith of crusaders. We must never forget the duty that their sacrifice has laid upon us of fulfilling their hopes and their purpose to the utmost. It seems to-day that the impressive lesson and the inspiring mandate of the day. (Signed) "Woodrow Wilson."

MEXICANS REFUSED RIGHT OF PASSAGE BY UNITED STATES

Carranza's Government Asked for Permission to Move 2,000 Men for Operation Against Villa.

Washington, D. C., May 29.—President Carranza has been notified by the American government that permission for the passage of Mexican troops through American territory will be withheld for the present. Mexico had asked to be permitted to move 2,000 men from Aguila Prieta to Juarez for operation against Francisco Villa's forces.

It was said to-day officially that the decision of the government was based on the belief that the force which it was proposed to move through Arizona, New Mexico and Texas would not be able to furnish protection to American citizens in northern Mexico because the revolutionists had cut the road between Juarez and Chihuahua.

It was made clear at the state department, however, that if President Carranza could show that there was greater necessity for the presence of the force of 2,000 men immediately south of the border at Juarez than at Aguila Prieta in the territory where the Yaqui Indians are becoming troublesome, the position of the United States government might be altered.

Governor Hobbs of Texas has notified the state department that he will offer no objection to the passage of the troops through Texas, provided guarantees for protection of Americans in northern Mexico can be obtained. Protests, however, are understood to have reached the state department from a number of sources, including senators from the border states, the basis being that the movement of the Mexican troops might result in another raid similar to that on Columbus, N. M., after Mexican troops had passed through the United States several years ago.

The situation in northern Mexico was described as somewhat delicate. Villa has become advised of Carranza's request and is believed he is waiting with sufficient forces to make negligible any effort on the part of the federal troops to go to the relief of Chihuahua City.

TO SELL MEAT STORES. Government to Get Rid of Canned and Cured Stock.

Washington, D. C., May 29.—First steps by the war department looking to the disposition in this country of part of the enormous surplus stock of canned and cured meat held by it were taken to-day with the mailing of invitations for bids to 1,200 of the larger state and municipal hospitals, asylums and charitable and penal institutions. Invitations also were sent to officials of the Salvation Army, the purchasing board of New York City and the New York state hospital board.

Conferees were held recently between war department officials and the industry and it was agreed to export as much of the 142,000,000 pounds of surplus meat as possible. Institutions in this country which now have been invited to bid on the meat were selected because the requirements are sufficiently large to permit them to purchase in carload lots.

"While it is the desire of the war department to dispose of all its surplus foodstuffs in the United States," said an official statement, "not being equipped to conduct a retail business, the department must seek purchasers who can buy in sufficiently large quantities to enable it to make sales through the organization that it has created to dispose of surplus stocks."

IN CRITICAL CONDITION.

Robert Bacon, Former Ambassador to France, Recently Had Operation.

New York, May 29.—Robert Bacon, former ambassador to France, was in a critical condition to-day at the New York Eye and Ear hospital, where he was operated on for mastoiditis last Saturday.

TO TAX IMPORTED TOBACCO.

French Ministry of Finance Proposes 100 Per Cent Raise.

Paris, May 29 (Havas).—The ministry of finance, it became known to-day, proposes to increase the tax on imported tobacco 100 per cent. The tax on French tobacco will be raised 25 per cent.

FIUME BECOMES INDEPENDENT

Settlement of Italian Controversy Said to Be Certain

ITALIANS WILL GET
PART OF ISLANDS

Off Dalmatian Coast, But Will Not Get Zara or Sebenito

Paris, May 29.—It was stated in high quarters this morning that a settlement of the Adriatic question now is a certainty as a result of the negotiations of yesterday and last evening. Under this settlement Fiume becomes an independent city.

The Italians will receive certain of the Dalmatian islands, but it is understood that they will not get Zara or Sebenito.

GEN. C. J. BAILEY WGN FRENCH WAR CROSS

Commander of Wildcat Division Was Also Made an Officer of Legion of Honor Before Leaving France.

Brest, May 29.—All the troops of the 81st (Wildcat) division are now home-bound. The last contingents sailed this morning on the steamers Von Steuben and Finisterre. Major General C. J. Bailey, commander of the division, is on board the former vessel.

Before sailing General Bailey was decorated with the French war cross with palm, and made an officer of the legion of honor.

These two steamers are bound for Newport News.

The president Grant left here last evening for Boston carrying 6,000 men and officers of the service of supply. American troops to the number of 160,000 were repatriated through the port of Brest during the month of May.

ONE MAN KILLED IN FIRE AT NEW LONDON, CONN.

Twenty-five People Were Trapped on Upper Floors of Rooming House—Many Were Injured.

New London, Conn., May 29.—Fire in the hallway of a rooming house at the corner of Green and Golden street at 5:05 this morning trapped 25 persons on the upper floors of the structure. Robert Tait, 35, in attempting to escape from the third-story window, fell to the sidewalk and was killed. K. Halman Jackson jumped from the second story and had both legs broken. His wife's hair was burned from her head and her hand badly scorched. Ruby Dickson, three months old, was dropped from the third-story window into the arms of a negro sailor. As the result of the smoke and the shock, it is expected that the infant will die.

Roland Dickson, two years old, was caught by the same sailor, after being dropped from the window, and is not seriously injured. Several other persons were slightly burned and partly suffocated. Tait, the man who was killed, was for several years employed by the General Electric company in Pittsfield, Mass. It is understood that he has a family in Pittsfield. The cause of the fire has not been determined.

Some of the roomers made their escape by improvising ropes from sheets, by which they lowered themselves to the sidewalk. A ladder from a nearby garage was also used to good advantage in taking the people out of the second-story windows. The interior of the building, which was occupied on the street floor by a saloon, was gutted and the damage will probably amount to \$15,000.

NO COLOR LINE IN LYNCHING TRAGEDIES

Negro Executed by Mob Near Mineral Wells, Miss., and White Man at Lamar, Mo.

Memphis, Tenn., May 29.—Reports just received here from Hernando and Olive Branch, Miss., tell of the lynching yesterday near Mineral Wells, Miss., of a negro accused of attacking one of three white women whom he dragged from a buggy on a country road.

Lamar, Mo., May 29.—Shortly after Jay Lynch had pleaded guilty to the murder of Sheriff John Harlow and his son and had been sentenced to life imprisonment in circuit court here yesterday, 24 men entered the court room, took Lynch from the officers and hanged him in the yard before a crowd of 500 persons. When Lynch's body was swung into the air, the spectators, including many women and children, cheered.

Lynch is one of a few white men to be lynched in Missouri.

INVESTIGATING ALLEGATION.

That Immigration Commission Presided Where Wilson Was Criticized.

Washington, D. C., May 29.—Commission General Caminetti of the immigration bureau announced to-day that the bureau was giving "its attention" to the statement that Frederick C. Howe, immigration commissioner at New York, had presided at a recent meeting in New York at which President Wilson was criticized.

U.S. TROOPS LOST AFTER BIG FIRE

Eighty Men Are Reported Missing in Coblenz District

MUNITIONS DUMP
ALSO BLOWN UP

Building Which Housed the American Soldiers Destroyed

London, May 29 (By the Associated Press).—As a result of a fire in a building occupied by American troops in the Coblenz district and the explosion of a munition dump yesterday, 80 men are missing, according to a Coblenz dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

A later dispatch from Coblenz says that the fire and explosion occurred near the frontier of the Bavarian-Palatinate, which is in the French area of occupation.

The foregoing report bears a similarity to one received from London on Tuesday night reporting the destruction by fire of a building used as a barracks by occupation troops at Ludwigshafen, on the Rhine, opposite Mannheim, causing the death of 40 soldiers and the injury of 100 others. This dispatch also was a German report, coming from Berlin by way of Copenhagen to a London news agency. Ludwigshafen is in the French area of occupation.

BIG RUSH OF TROOPS.

Have Arrived at New York—Kronland Brought Pennsylvania Troops.

New York, May 29.—More than 2100 officers and men of the 79th division (national army, southern Pennsylvania) arrived here to-day from St. Nazaire on the steamship Kronland, which brought altogether 3,811 troops.

Seventy-nine units included division headquarters and a motor transport detachment, 42 officers and 126 men; 304th engineers' companies A to F, inclusive, and detachments, 51 officers and 1,495 men; 304th train headquarters, three officers and 40 men; and 316th infantry companies L and H and detachment of the 20th engineers, for camps throughout the country, eight officers and 397 men of the 501st engineers, mostly for camps Dix and Upton; two officers and 114 men comprising the 648th aero squadron; 58 sick or wounded men, and casuals.

The steamship Cape May, from Bordeaux, brought 30 officers and 1,898 men of the 326th infantry, 82nd division (all American). These are draft troops from all parts of the country and are assigned mostly to Camps Upton, Devens, Dix, Grant, Dodge, Gordon, Taylor, Meade, Custer, Bowie and Shelby and Fort D. A. Russell. The 326th details arriving are field and staff headquarters, medical detachments, machine gun company and companies A, B, C, E, G, I and K.

The steamship Italia, from Marseilles, brought 1,067 troops. A majority of these are casuals, either discharged or on furlough or still in service, these last including seven from Massachusetts. Units on the Italia included companies A, B and C, and headquarters, supply and medical detachments, nine officers and 418 men of the 319th field signal battalion, 94th division.

Forty-three officers and 2,662 men of the 78th division (draft troops of northern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York state) and 14 Virginia casuals arrived from Bordeaux on the steamship Julia Luckenbach. The 78th units comprised A of the 369th infantry, small detachments, the 511th and 312th infantry and companies A to H, inclusive, and headquarters and supply companies and sanitary and medical detachments, and headquarters of the 1st and 2d battalions of the 310th infantry. These troops are assigned to 15 camps throughout the country.

T. B. WRIGHT STATE DEPUTY.

Of the Knights of Columbus of Vermont Elected in Burlington.

Burlington, May 29.—The following officers were elected at the closing meeting of the Knights of Columbus of Vermont here: State Deputy, T. B. Wright, Burlington; secretary, E. J. Howard, Belvidere Falls; treasurer, Arthur C. Moore, Barre; state advocate, Walter F. Cleary, Newport; state warden, John J. Smith, Rutland; first alternate to national convention at Buffalo, John C. Hennessey, Belvidere Falls; second alternate, Frank A. Brown, Montpelier. Rev. Joseph F. Gillis of Burlington was named as chaplain.

The third degree was conferred on 41 candidates, and Rt. Rev. J. J. Rice, bishop of the Catholic diocese of Burlington, gave an address.

VERMONT HOMEOPATHICS ELECT.

Dr. G. E. Morgan of Burlington Elected President at Rutland.

Rutland, May 29.—At the 60th annual meeting of the Vermont Homeopathic Medical society here yesterday the following officers were elected: President, G. E. Morgan of Burlington; vice-president, H. B. Denman of Springfield; secretary, George I. Forbes of Burlington; treasurer, F. S. Steele of Montpelier; censors, Edward Kirkland, F. E. Steele and Charles A. Gale; auditors, W. R. Noyes, E. H. Everett and E. I. Hall; legislative committee, E. L. Wyman, W. R. Mayo, Sam Sparhawk, F. E. Steele, C. A. Gale and G. I. Forbes.

In retiring from the office of president of the society, Dr. Edward Kirkland of Belvidere Falls made a very eloquent retiring address on the work accomplished by the society throughout the state. The principal address of the meeting was made by Dr. G. E. Morgan of Burlington, who traveled to be very interesting and enlightening. Papers were read by Dr. Wyman of Manchester Center and Dr. Forbes of Burlington.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE STARTS AT 10 O'CLOCK

Exercises at Opera House Will Follow Return of the Procession from Elmwood Cemetery.

The observance of Memorial day in Barre will start at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning when the parade under command of Col. C. N. Willey will start from Depot square and proceed to Elmwood cemetery. It is expected that there will be a sizeable turnout of various organizations to act as escort to the few remaining veterans of the Civil war. The Barre City band will furnish the music for the occasion.

At Elmwood cemetery there will be a short halt, which will include the giving of the salute, and then the line of march will be taken up again to the opera house, where the exercises of the day will be held. These exercises will be made up as follows: Selection by Adjutant J. C. Harris and salute to the dead by A. J. Baldwin; selection by the band; reading of President Lincoln's Gettysburg address by Charles H. Wishart; selection by the band; prayer, Rev. B. J. Lehigh; singing, "America," with music by the band; address, Rev. B. G. Lipsky; selection by the band; benediction.

After the exercises in the opera house the ladies of the G. A. R. will serve dinner to all veterans and invited guests in the vestry of the Congregational church.

FEW TAXATION CASES WERE ACTED UPON

Assessors Report There Are Only 31 Women Eligible to Vote in Barre Appeals on Appraisals Must Be in By To-day.

Only a few taxation matters came before the Barre board of civil authority last night but a large number of unpaid taxes of the years 1913 and 1914 were reviewed. In most instances the names of the delinquents on the two years named were wiped off the list, although in a few cases new clues to the location of the persons obligated were presented by various members of the board. Frank G. Howland acted as chairman of the meeting, and James Mackay was clerk.

H. A. Rockwood was rebuffed on an error of the assessors in making up his grand list. B. Manini and Alberto Borgi applied for rebate of collector's fees on poll taxes because of an error of the bookkeeper. The board refused to grant the rebate. Leonard Spinoli was rebuffed his poll tax because he was in the service. Silvio Cecchini got a rebate on his poll tax. Felix Riccio was rebuffed his poll tax but the tax on his real estate was maintained. Earl E. Parker was granted a rebate on seven years' taxes on a piece of real estate which he did not own and on which some other person was paying a tax all the time.

Following the hearing of these cases, the board went into conference with Tax Collector George A. Morris on taxes considered uncollectible for some reason or other. There were approximately one hundred names in the two lists, and, as already stated, most of the names were stricken off the list. With that, the board adjourned without taking up any later books of the tax collector.

Only 31 Women Voters in Barre.

The time for appeal to the assessors on this year's appraisals will expire to-day, and the assessors state that thus far there have been very few appeals made. The 1919 grand list has not been figured up, but it is expected that there will be no material change from last year. A loss of 155 in polls is the most appreciable change, due, of course, to many cases, but chiefly related to the war.

An odd fact in connection with the 1919 tax list is that only 31 women in Barre took the trouble to register for heretofore and thus enable them to vote. Perpetrate a real estate tax has made it possible for them to vote in whatever elections the law stipulated for females, but this year no woman can vote, whether she be a real estate owner or not, unless she has registered for the poll tax, same as the men. The small number of women so registering in Barre is in marked contrast to the conditions in the other cities and large towns of the state, in some of which the women poll tax payers number several hundred.

Not a great number of livestock, horses, mules, etc., are enumerated this year by the assessors in connection with their other duties. For instance, there are 247 cows, 280 horses, 44 shoats, 71 young heifers, six mules, six bulls and only two sheep in the city.

TELEPHONE BOOTH ROBBED.

Robber Pried Off the Coin Box at Trolley Waiting Room.

The pay box on the telephone apparatus in the pay station at the trolley company's waiting room in the Aldrich building was broken into during the early part of last night, but it is not thought that the robber got much money for his trouble. Some sort of implement was used to wrench the box loose, and the apparatus was much damaged in the operation. The waiting room was locked at 11:15 last night by the conductor on the last outgoing electric car, according to the statement of officials.

TWO WILL DIE FROM WOUNDS

Wilfred Savard of Winooski and Nagop Merdianian, His Assailant

LATTER'S EX-SWEET-HEART WILL LIVE

Merdianian Shot Self Twice After Fight at the

Burlington, May 29.—At the Fanny Allen hospital this morning it was announced that Merdianian, a victim of last night's shooting affray, would recover, and his brother, Wilfred, another victim, was in a critical condition, while his assailant, Hagot Merdianian, had no chance of recovery.

The shooting occurred at Savard Bros. restaurant and was the result of the refusal of the girl to have anything more to do with Merdianian since her discovery that he had a wife in Armenia. He had been employed as a weaver but was recently discharged. He was arrested a week ago for threatening the life of the girl and members of her family.

A soldier in the place saved his life by jumping through a window. Harvey Savard, another brother, was prevented from stabbing Merdianian by bystanders.

Merdianian walked into the little restaurant at 12 West Allen street last night shortly before 10 o'clock, seized the Savard girl and shot her, the bullet going through one arm. Wilfred, hearing the shot, came running out from a rear room and received a bullet in the breast. Merdianian then turned the weapon on himself, firing into his mouth. That failing to kill, he fired a second bullet into his abdomen. All three were unconscious on the restaurant floor when Officer McGrath and a soldier went into the restaurant.

It is said that after Merdianian's father, who recently visited him, had left, he wrote to the girl and told her his son had a wife in Armenia and that he thought it his duty to tell her. Thereupon the girl broke off relations with Merdianian, to whom her brother is said to have objected.

The Savards live at 108 West Spring street. The sister does not work in the restaurant, but was visiting her brother there last evening.

MRS. RICHARDSON IS SOMEWHAT IMPROVED

Bullets from Shotgun Entered Both Arms and Breast—She Lost Much Blood Before Reaching Hospital.

The condition of Mrs. Ralph Richardson of Worcester, who was accidentally shot by her son Wednesday, was as good this morning as could be expected and her physician gave her family considerable hopes of recovery. The reaction from the bad spell she suffered yesterday afternoon and last night had occurred and this morning she was considered much improved. The bone in the right arm was badly crushed but the physicians believe they will be able to save the arm. The nerves are intact, for she was able this morning to move the fingers and thumb on her hand. Her breast was more injured than it appeared at first. Probably 75 shots entered it and it was also found at the hospital that she had lost a considerable amount of blood. Her circulation was badly affected by her wounds.

The place where the affair took place is a hard one to reach by automobile. The woman apparently had gone out of doors, for there was blood about the yard and a large quantity in the room where she stood when the shooting took place. She carried her out of the bedroom, in which she had gone after the shooting, could not get the stretcher into the room but had to take the woman, who weighs about 160 pounds, to another room in their arms. She suffered a great deal from loss of blood but had great vitality. During yesterday afternoon but little hope of her recovery was entertained.

BIG CITY MEETING TO-NIGHT.

Soldiers' Memorial One of Matters to Be Decided.

A meeting of the committee on the Barre soldiers' and sailors' monument was held in the council chamber last evening. W. A. Murray reported progress on the arrangements being made for securing a design and his report met with general approval. The matter of the erection of the monument and providing the ways and means for the same will come before the citizens at the meeting to be held in the opera house this evening, and the committee earnestly request that the citizens turn out in large numbers and support this laudable object.

This project should commend itself to all, as Barre has long cherished a desire to have the sacrifices and services of her citizens during the several wars in which the United States has been and that be commemorated by some memorial that shall be worthy of these services, and also a credit to the industry on which the prosperity of the city is founded.

The generous offer made by several of the quarry owners relative to securing a design which shall be representative of the best sculptural and architectural skill of the United States gives the necessary initiative to a movement which will give the citizens an opportunity to carry out an oft-expressed desire to honor the patriotism of their soldier and sailor citizens.

NO PAPER TO-MORROW

To-morrow, Memorial day, The Times will not be printed. Saturday's paper will contain a full account of the day's activities.